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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

In the claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A compound having the following formula I:

$$R_1$$
 O X N $(CH_2)_n$ R_2 R_2

wherein:

'X' represents an a-amino acid group wherein the a-amino group of the amino acid is bound to the R_1 -O-CO- group and the carboxy group of the amino acid is bound to the R_2 -CH₂-CO-(CH₂)_n-CH(CO₂H)-NH- group;

'n' is an integer between 1 and 4;

'R₁' represents benzyl, t-butyl or 9-fluorenylmethyl; and

'R₂' represents

$$-s \xrightarrow{R_3} R_4$$

$$-R_5$$

wherein R_3 , R_4 , R_5 and R_6 each independently represent lower alkyl or $-S^+R_7R_8$, wherein R_7 and R_8 each independently represent lower alkyl or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable <u>salt or solvate</u> derivative thereof.

Claim 2 (original): A compound according to Claim 1 wherein X is an L-amino acid group.

Claim 3 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 wherein X is selected from the group consisting of phenylalanine, glutamine (or an N-substituted derivative thereof), isoleucine, alanine, glycine, tyrosine, proline, serine, lysine and glutamic acid.

Claim 4 (previously presented): A compound according to claim 1 wherein 'n' is 2.

Claim 5 (previously presented): A compound according to claim 1 wherein R₁ is benzyl.

Claim 6 (previously presented): A compound according to claim 1 wherein R₂ represents

Claim 7 (currently amended): A <u>compounds</u> according to claim 1 wherein R_2 represents $-S^+R_7R_8$, wherein R_7 and R_8 each independently represent lower alkyl.

Claim 8 (currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 wherein R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_6 , R_7 and/or R_8 are C_1 to C_3 alkyl –CH₂-or –CHCH₂.

Claim 9 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & \\ & & \\ &$$

Claim 10 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

Claim 12 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & \\ & & \\ &$$

or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

Claim 13 (canceled)

Claim 14 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} O & H & (CH_2)_2 \\ \hline O & CO_2H & O \end{array}$$

or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

Claim 15 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} O & H & (CH_2)_2 \\ \hline O & CO_2H & O \end{array} S^{+} \begin{array}{c} CH_3 \\ CH_3 \end{array}$$

or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

Claim 16 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

Claim 17 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

Claim 18 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

Claim 19 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

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Claim 20 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1, wherein the compound is *N*-α-Benzyloxycarbonyl-*N*-ε-trifluoroacetate-*L*-lysinyl-6-dimethylsulfonium-5-oxo-*L*-norleucine or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof. having the following formula:

Claim 21 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

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Claim 22 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

Claim 23 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

Claim 24 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

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Claim 25 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

Claim 26 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

Claim 27 (currently amended): A compound according to Claim 1 having the following formula:

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or a pharmaceutically and/or veterinarily acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

Claim 28 (previously presented): A compound according to claim 1 in the form of a bromide salt.

Claim 29 (previously presented): A pharmaceutical formulation comprising a compound according to claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 30 (previously presented): A method for making a compound according to claim 1 comprising the following steps:

- (a) reacting an *N*-α-protected amino acid *N*-hydroxy-succinimide or *para*-nitrophenyl ester with 6-diazo-5-oxo-L-norleucine, and treating the resulting coupled product with hydrogen bromide: and
- (b) reacting the bromomethyl ketone produced in step (a) with dimethyl sulphide, diethyl sulphide or 1,3,4,5-tetra-methyl mercapto-imidazoline-2-thione.

Claim 31 (original): A method according to Claim 30 wherein the *N*-α-protected amino acid *N*-hydroxysuccinimide ester is CBZ, FMOC or BOC protected.

Claim 32 (previously presented): A method according to Claim 30 wherein step (a) comprises reacting an N- α -protected amino acid N-hydroxy-succinimide or para-nitrophenyl ester

with 6-diazo-5-oxo-L-norleucine in the presence of tetrahydrofuran (THF), water and triethylamine followed by reacting the products thereof with hydrogen bromide in the presence of ethyl acetate.

Claim 33 (currently amended): A method according to Claim [[31]] <u>30</u> wherein the *N*-α-CBZ-protected amino acid *N*-hydroxy-succinimide ester is selected from the group consisting of *N*-α-CBZ-*L*-phenylalanine *N*-hydroxy-succinimide ester, *N*-α-CBZ-*L*-glutamine *N*-hydroxy-succinimide ester, *N*-α-CBZ-*L*-alanine alaninal *N*-hydroxy-succinimide ester, *N*-α-CBZ-*L*-glycine *N*-hydroxysuccinimide ester, *N*-α-CBZ-*L*-proline *N*-hydroxy-succinimide ester, *N*-α-CBZ-*L*-serine *N*-hydroxysuccinimide ester, *N*-α-CBZ-*L*-tyrosine *N*-hydroxysuccinimide ester, *N*-α-CBZ-*L*-glutamic acid *N*-hydroxysuccinimide ester, and *N*-α-CBZ-*L*-lysine *N*-hydroxysuccinimide ester.

Claims 34-36 (canceled)

Claim 37 (currently amended): A method for treating a patient suffering from a disease/disorder selected from the group consisting of fibrosis, scarring, neurodegenerative diseases, autoimmune diseases, thrombosis, proliferative disorders, AIDS, psoriasis, cancer, fibrosis, scarring and inflammation (such as chronic inflammatory diseases), the method comprising administering to the patient a composition comprising the compound of Claim 1.

Claim 38 (currently amended): The [[use]] method according to Claims 35 Claim 37 wherein the medicament is for treating disease/disorder is cancer.

Claims 39-40 (canceled)

Claim 41 (currently amended): A method for treating a patient to prevent or treat rejection of a transplanted organ, the method comprising administering to the patient a composition comprising a compound of Claim 1.

Claim 42 (previously presented): The method of Claim 41 wherein the organ is a heart, lung, kidney or liver.

Claim 43 (previously presented): The method of Claim 41 wherein the organ is treated prior to transplantation.

Claim 44 (currently amended): The method of <u>Claims Claim 41</u> wherein the organ is treated during and/or after transplantation into a patient.

Claim 45 (new): The method of Claim 37, wherein the disease is a chronic inflammatory disease.